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In the Specification:

The paragraph starting at page 12, line 13 and ending at page 14, line 5:

The process according to the invention for preparing the above mentioned compounds basically comprises the following steps:

a) preparing by coupling a first building block deriving from natural or synthetic amino-acids, said first building block being of the formula:

$$\begin{bmatrix} H-N-(CH_2)_x-CH-C-A-B-C-Sp-P \\ X & R1 & O \end{bmatrix}$$

wherein X, R₁, A, B, C are defined as hereinabove,

P is -CH₃ or -CH₂-Ph where the coupling is carried out in liquid phase and Sp is

and P is polystyrene when the coupling is carried out in solid phase;

b) coupling the first building block prepared in step a) with a second building block hereafter called "tether", of the formula:

wherein Y, L and Z are defined as PGz is a protective group; and

- c) removing the protection groups PGz from the compound obtained in step b); and
- d) carrying out a macrocyclization of the unprotected product obtained in step c) and a cleavage if the preparing and coupling steps (a), (b) were carried out in the solid phase in order to obtain the requested compound of the formula (I).